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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Sir:

Regarding the Office Action dated 2 December 2002, Applicant requests that the Application be amended as follows:

## In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 187 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

135. (Three Times Amended) A process for identifying a compound that modulates human ABC1 (ABC1) polypeptide biological activity comprising contacting a compound with a human ABC1 polypeptide that has ABC1 biological activity and in the presence of adenosine triphosphate (ATP) under conditions promoting the biological